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For : ELECTRONIC ENDOSCOPE SELECTOR AND ELECTRONIC ENDOSCOPE SYSTEM

Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
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 Examining Group. 2613
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Group Art Unit: 2613

Examiner: Behrooz M. Senfi

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Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

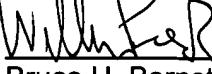
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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of January 26, 2005 in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 26, 2005, and in which the Response is being filed by the two-month due date of March 28, 2005 (March 26, 2005, being a Saturday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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